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Effective September 1, 2005, Optical Program benefits changed due to the passage of Senate Bill 539 by the 93rd General Assembly. Eye examinations for refractive error are limited to one exam every two (2) years for adults who are eligible for Medicaid under one of the following categories of assistance: 01, 04, 05, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 19, 21, 24, 26, 83, and 84. The two-year determination will be based on eye exam performance on or after September 1, 2005. Claims that have been denied will be reprocessed by the Division of Medical Services for dates of service on or after September 1, 2005.

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Missouri Medicaid News: Providers and other interested parties are urged to go to the DMS Website at http://dss.missouri.gov/dms/subscribe/MedNewsSubscribe.htm to subscribe to the list serve to receive automatic notifications of provider bulletins, provider manual updates, and other official Missouri Medicaid communications via e-mail.

MC+ Managed Care: The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MC+ Fee-for-Service
- Medicaid Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MC+ Managed Care

Questions regarding MC+ Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MC+ Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the red MC+ card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 1-573-635-8908 and using Option One.

Provider Communications Hotline 573-751-2896